TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



SB 702 - HB 1042

March 3, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the use of cell phones while driving in a school zone where warning flashers are in use. Violation is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine only not to exceed \$50 and court costs not to exceed \$10.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue – \$1,100

Increase Local Revenue – \$100

Assumptions:

- The Department of Safety estimates 100 violations per year at an average fine of \$15 per violation.
- An 80 percent collection rate for fines.
- Local court clerks receive five percent of fine revenue; the state receives the remaining 95 percent.
- An increase in recurring state revenue of \$1,140 (100 violations x \$15 fine x 80% x 95%).
- An increase in local government revenue for county clerks of \$60 (100 violations x \$15 fine x 80% x 5%).
- Any increase in state or local expenditures to enforce the provisions of this bill will be not significant

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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